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STATEMENT REQUESTING DELETION OF INVENTORS

A copy of the executed declaration submitted in co-pending Serial No. 09/186,573, and originally submitted in Serial No. 08/599,880, is filed herewith as part of the instant application which is a continuation of those prior applications.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2), it is requested that the names of Thilo Fliedner, Robert Alter and Axel Stemberger be deleted from this application because none of those persons is an inventor of the invention claimed in this continuation application.

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